



## **Rappahannock Regional Solid Waste Management Board**

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### **RAPPAHANNOCK REGIONAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD**

#### **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

##### **RR-1 Purpose**

The Operational Agreement for the Regional Landfill and the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality require that rules and regulations for the operation of a sanitary landfill be established to ensure compliance with the applicable permits and to assure safe, sanitary, and efficient operation of the landfill operated by the Rappahannock Regional Solid Waste Management Board (R-Board).

##### **RR-2 Definitions**

The following words and phrases shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them by this section per Virginia Waste Management Regulations (9VAC20-81-10) or assigned by the R-Board:

**“Cargo Vehicle”** means open or enclosed cargo space and cargo vans with only driver and front passenger seating. Vehicles must be one ton or less in rated vehicle size. This definition extends to dump trucks, box trucks, moving vans, and enclosed trailers. Any vehicle over 1 ton in rated vehicle size will be considered Commercial.

**“Commercial Waste”** means all solid waste generated by establishments engaged in business operations other than manufacturing or construction. This category includes, but is not limited to, solid waste resulting from the operation of stores, markets, office buildings, restaurants and shopping centers.

**“Construction Waste”** means solid waste that is produced or generated during construction, remodeling, or repair of pavements, houses, commercial buildings, and other structures. Construction wastes include, but are not limited to lumber, wire, sheetrock, broken brick, shingles, glass, pipes, concrete, paving materials, and metal and plastics if the metal or plastics are a part of the materials of construction or empty containers for such materials. Paints, coatings, solvents, asbestos, and liquid, compressed gases or semi-liquids and garbage are not construction wastes

**“Construction and Demolition Waste (C&D)”** means any combination of either construction waste or demolition waste, as defined in this document.

**“Debris Waste”** means waste resulting from land clearing operations. Debris waste includes, but is not limited to stumps, wood, brush, leaves, soil and road spoils.

**“Demolition Waste”** means that solid waste that is produced by the destruction of structures and their foundations and includes the same materials as construction wastes.



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**“Garbage”** means readily putrescible discarded materials composed of animal, vegetable or other organic matter.

**“Hazardous Waste”** means a “hazardous waste” as described by the Virginia Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (9VAC20-60).

**“Mixed Load”** means a load which contains more than one classification of refuse which requires separation in accordance with Section RR-20 of the Rules and Regulations (separation of Refuse) adopted by the R-Board. It shall be further defined as follows:

1. One or more appliances.
2. One or more whole tires.
3. One or more batteries.
4. Ten percent (10%) or more by volume of other refuse which is required to be separated such as, but not limited to, discarded building materials, salvaged metal, brush, burnable materials, etc. as determined by the landfill Superintendent, whose decision shall be final.

**“Mulch”** means woody waste consisting of stumps, trees, limbs, branches, bark, leaves, and other clean wood waste which has undergone size reduction by grinding, shredding, or chipping and is distributing to the general public for landscaping purposes or other horticultural uses except composting as defined and regulated under Yard Waste Composting Regulations (9VAC20-90-10 et seq).

**“Municipal Solid Waste” (MSW)** means waste that is normally composed of residential, commercial, and institutional solid waste and residues derived from the combustion of these wastes.

**“R-Board”** means the Rappahannock Regional Solid Waste Management Board as so prescribed in the Operational Agreement for Regional Landfill dated December 9, 1987

**“Recycling Residue”** means the non-metallic substances remaining after processing for the purpose of recycling, discarded metal items, construction debris, demolition waste, and organic waste.

**“Refuse”** means all solid waste produced having the character of solids rather than liquids and which are composed wholly or partially of materials such as garbage, trash, rubbish, litter, residues from cleanup of spills or contamination or other discarded materials.

**“Refuse Remover”** means any person engaging in removing or transporting refuse, for compensation, from residential, commercial or industrial establishments for delivery to a sanitary landfill, or other place for disposal of same as may be permitted by law.



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**“Regulated Medical Waste”** means solid waste so defined by the Regulated Medical Waste Management Regulations (VAC20-120) as promulgated by the Virginia Waste Management Board.

**“Resident”** means a resident of the County of Stafford or the City of Fredericksburg disposing of their own domestic refuse. Residency may be established by the following: driver’s license, utility bill or paid tax receipt to show proof of residency.

**“Residential Waste”** means any waste material, including garbage, trash and refuse, derived from households. Residential wastes do not include sanitary waste in septic tanks (septage) that is regulated by other state agencies.

**“Scrap Metal”** means bits and pieces of metal parts such as bars, rods, wire, empty containers, or metal pieces that may be combined together with bolts or soldering which are discarded materials and can be used, reused, or reclaimed.

**“Sludge”** means any solid, semi-solid or liquid waste generated from a municipal, commercial or industrial wastewater treatment plant, water supply treatment plant, or air pollution control facility exclusive of treated effluent from a wastewater treatment plant.

**“Trash”** means combustible and non-combustible discarded materials and is used interchangeably with the term “RUBBISH”.

**“White Goods”** means any stoves, washers, hot water heaters or other large appliance. This also includes, but is not limited to, such Freon-containing appliances such as refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, and dehumidifiers.

**“Whole Tires”** means tires which have not been either cut into halves by slicing them around the largest circumference along the center of the tread or which have not been shredded.

**“Yard Waste”** vegetative waste meaning decomposable waste materials generated by yard and lawn care or land-clearing activities and includes, but is not limited to, leaves, grass trimmings, woody wastes such as shrub and tree pruning, bark, limbs, roots, and stumps. Yard waste shall be emptied out of any plastic bags if used for transport. Due to permit requirements and processing limitations, specific restrictions for the Eskimo Hill and Belman Road facilities are provided below:

1. We accept yard waste at Eskimo Hill up to 12” in diameter, with a maximum length of 8’.
2. We accept yard waste at our Belman Road Convenience Center up to 4” in diameter and a maximum length of 8’.



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### **RR-3 Secured Loads**

All vehicles used for transporting refuse to the landfill shall provide against any portion of its load leaking, spilling, or being blown or hurled from or against any portion of its load being deposited upon any street or public way while in transit.

### **RR-4 Identification of Vehicles**

- (a) Refuse Removers: Each refuse remover shall permanently display on each vehicle operated in the removal or transportation of refuse, the number assigned to the vehicle, as well as name, address, and the telephone number. Such information shall be displayed on both sides of the vehicle, on the cab or at the farthest point forward on the truck body. All permit numbers shall be 4 inches high. Such information shall be in a conspicuous color contrasting to the color of the vehicle.
- (b) Other Vehicles: Citizens must show proof of residency in order to enter the regional landfill.

### **RR-5 Refuse Removers**

**Vehicles:** Three (3) types of vehicles shall be allowed for the transportation or removal of refuse by refuse removers as follows:

- (a) A vehicle equipped for hydraulic compaction of refuse and constructed with a watertight body completely enclosed and covered.
- (b) A vehicle used for transporting roll-off or other mechanically lifted stationary containers. Such containers should be leak proof and equipped with built-in covers or with tarpaulin or equally effective covers, which shall be in place to prevent escape of refuse.
- (c) A vehicle used only for the collection and transportation of discarded household furnishings, appliance, auto tires, debris and other non-putrescible wastes. Such vehicles shall be equipped with built-in covers or with tarpaulin or equally effective covers, which shall be secured in place while in transit to prevent the escape of refuse.

**Permits Required:** All refuse removers desiring to dispose of refuse at the landfill must obtain an annual refuse removers permit issued by the R-Board.

- (a) A refuse remover desiring a permit required by this section shall apply therefore to the R-Board.



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- (b) The R-Board shall issue a permit required by this section upon receipt of a valid application and a satisfactory finding that the applicant has reasonable and substantially complied with all applicable sections.
- (c) The denial of a permit for which an application has been filed under this section shall be accompanied by assigned reasons for the denial. Three (3) months from the date of such denial, the application in question shall expire. Within that period of time, the R-Board may issue a permit upon finding that the applicant has corrected the reasons for denial and substantially complied with the provisions of this section.
- (d) Upon the issuance of a permit under this section, the R-Board shall assign a permit number to each vehicle covered by such permit and the number so assigned shall be indicated on the permit.
- (e) When a refuse remover terminates and discontinues his business, he shall surrender the permit issued under this section to the R-Board, as of the date of such termination and discontinuance.

**Vehicle Inspections:** Prior to the issuance of a permit, the applicant shall have all vehicles to be operated pursuant thereto, inspected and approved by the Landfill Superintendent.

- (a) The permit holder shall have all such vehicles inspected annually by the Landfill Superintendent or designee. In the event of an emergency requiring the immediate replacement of a vehicle, the vehicle is to be inspected by the Landfill Superintendent or designee within five (5) calendar days after its acquisition.
- (b) Vehicles used for the removal or transportation of refuse by refuse remover shall be made available for inspection, in addition to the inspections required in subsection (a) of this section, upon the request of the Landfill Superintendent or designee. A reasonable time shall be provided for such inspections.
- (c) When applicable, a refuse remover may conduct a self-inspection and submit a notarized self-inspection form to the Landfill Superintendent or designee. This self-inspection form is subject to R-Board approval

### **R-6 Emptying and Cleaning of Vehicles Generally**

Each vehicle used by a refuse remover for removal or transportation shall be completely emptied each time it is dumped and thoroughly cleaned twice a week when in use.

Stafford County Code: Section 21-9 (Ord. No. 007-80, 12-18-07)



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### RR-7 Disposal Fees

- (a) The R-Board shall periodically establish rates to be charged all users of the landfill for disposal or refuse delivered to the landfill.
- (b) A Fee Schedule shall be derived from the established rates and shall be posted and maintained on a current basis at the landfill.

### RR-8 Delegations of Authority

The R-Board may delegate authority to such a person or persons as it deems appropriate.

### RR-9 Operating Hours

<u>Monday through Friday</u>	<u>Open</u>	<u>Close</u>
Residential:	8:00 AM	4:00 PM
Commercial:	6:00 AM	4:30 PM
<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Open</u>	<u>Close</u>
Residential:	8:00 AM	3:00 PM
Commercial:	8:00 AM	12:00 PM
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Open</u>	<u>Close</u>
Residential:	8:00 AM	3:00 PM

No commercial dumping permitted on Sunday.

The landfill shall be open to the public during times noted herein and closed on the following legal holidays:

New Year's Day	Labor Day
Easter Sunday	Thanksgiving Day
Memorial Day	Christmas Eve (Noon)
Independence Day	Christmas Day

### RR-10 Refuse Owned by the R-Board

All refuse delivered to the landfill for disposal is the property of the R-Board. Solid waste segregated at the landfill for sale or recycling may be removed from the landfill only under the direction of the R-Board or its designee. Scavenging by employees or others is not allowed and shall be considered stealing, a prosecutable offense.



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### **RR-11 Personal Conduct**

All users of the landfill shall conduct themselves in an acceptable manner at all times. Abusive language, behavior, or other such like conduct will not be tolerated.

### **RR-12 Origination of Refuse**

Only refuse originating in the County of Stafford and/or the City of Fredericksburg shall be accepted.

### **RR-13 Flow Control**

All waste collected within Stafford County under the provisions of this chapter, excluding solid waste collected on the Marine Corps Base Quantico, shall be disposed of only at locations designated by the Rappahannock Regional Solid Waste Management Board (R-Board), subject to the limitations stipulated in Code of Virginia, § 15.2-931(A).

Stafford County Code: Section 21-10 (Ord. No. 007-80, 12-18-07; Ord. No. O15-40, 11-17-15)

All trash shall be deposited at disposal sites designated by the City Manager. The City Manager shall designate the Regional Landfill and Recycling Center at 489 Eskimo Hill Road in Stafford County for the disposal of all trash collected within the City of Fredericksburg.

Fredericksburg City Code: Chapter 62-8A. (Ord. No. 16-07, 3-8-16)

### **RR-14 Prohibited Refuse**

The hauler shall be responsible for the removal and any associated cleanup costs of prohibited refuse. Blatant or persistent violation of this regulation could result in suspension of landfill privileges. The following refuse is prohibited from disposal at the landfill:

- (a) Abandoned vehicles
- (b) Hazardous waste
- (c) Regulated medical waste
- (d) Any material not allowed under Virginia Solid Waste Management Regulations
- (e) Other refuse as determined by the R-Board, whose decision shall be final

### **RR-15 Inspection of Refuse**

The R-Board reserves the right to inspect any and/or all refuse contained in any vehicle prior to entering the landfill. The R-Board has the right to refuse entry to any vehicle which is transporting any unlawful and/or prohibited refuse.





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### **RR-16 Separation of Refuse**

All refuse shall be separated and disposed of in a timely manner and at the appropriate designated areas as directed by the Landfill Superintendent or designee.

### **RR-17 Safety**

In the interest of safety, persons are prohibited from acting in an unsafe manner which:

- (a) May jeopardize the health and welfare of the public and/or employees; and/or
- (b) May cause or result in damage to private or public property; and/or
- (c) Any other actions which the R-Board deems unsafe.

**Backup Alarm:** It is mandatory that all refuse removers' permitted vehicles be equipped with and maintain an adequate backup alarm system approved by the Landfill Superintendent. In the interest of safety, the R-Board reserves the right to request and demand that an approved backup alarm system to be installed and/or maintained by any commercial vehicle using the landfill at the discretion of the Landfill Supervisor, an unsafe condition exists and/or persists that can be remedied with the installation of an approved backup alarm system.

**Fire Extinguishers:** All vehicles used by a refuse remover for the transportation or removal of refuse shall be equipped with a working fire extinguisher or not less than one-quart capacity. Such fire extinguisher shall be kept affixed to the vehicle.

**Personal Protective Equipment:** All users of the landfill shall wear the proper personal protective equipment as detailed in the R-Board's safety program, required by the solid waste operating permit and included in the Operations Manual.

If a refuse remover needs a hard hat or high visibility vest, one will be provided at the scale house to be worn in designated areas.

### **RR-18 Trespassing**

All users of the landfill are required to stop at the entrance to the landfill. Prior to entering the landfill, permission must be granted by the Landfill Superintendent.

All vehicles, except those authorized by the R-Board or its designee, shall be removed from the landfill property at the time the landfill closes its daily operation. Any unauthorized vehicle on the landfill property after closing shall be towed from the premises at the owner's expense.

No unauthorized persons are allowed on the premises outside of published operating hours.





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### **RR-19 R-Board Assistance**

At no time shall R-Board equipment and/or personnel assist any user in the removal of a disabled vehicle or assist with unloading waste except as follows:

At the discretion of the R-Board or its designee, they may offer the use of equipment to assist a disabled refuse remover's permitted vehicle, provided said vehicle is equipped with an adequate "towing hook", the towing apparatus (chain/cable) is attached to said towing hook by the driver of the vehicle and for either case, the owner of said vehicle releases the R-Board from any liabilities relative to the assistance offered.

### **RR-20 Penalties**

Any person, firm, association, partnership or corporation who shall violate these Rules and Regulations shall be subject to suspension of the privilege of using the landfill for a period deemed reasonable and just by the R-Board.